



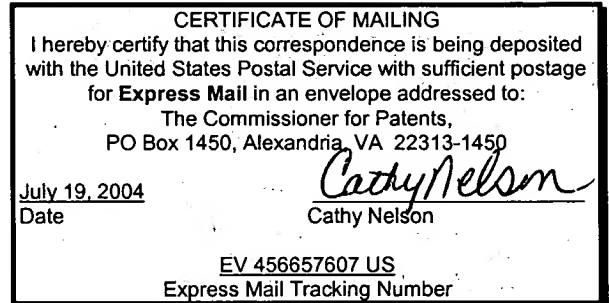
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

App. No. : 09/712,612 Confirmation No. 9612
Applicant : Hua
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TC/A.U. : 1614
Examiner : Fay, Z.
For : Methods of Treating Cataracts and
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Docket No. : 90-99
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this paper.